

ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO THE CONGO (SECOND BATCH)

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- What immediate measures will be taken by the newly established National Human Rights Commission, as a specific mechanism for monitoring children's rights, in order to be able to receive, investigate and address complaints by children in a child-sensitive manner?
- What are current and next steps of the Government of Congo in efforts to adopt a comprehensive law punishing all forms of violence against women, including marital rape, female genital mutilation and the sexual abuse and exploitation of women in prison and in conflict areas?

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- Does the Government of Congo intend to ratify the Second Optional Protocol aimed at the abolition of the death penalty?
- What specific steps has the Government of Congo taken to ensure that there will be legislation to uphold protection of the rights of the child?
- Please could you tell us when the Government of Congo intends to include a definition of torture in the Criminal Code and to ensure torture, in all its forms, is completely prohibited?
- What steps is the Government of Congo taking to prevent citizens being unlawfully detained for exercising their right to freedom of expression, information and communication?
- How does the Government of Congo plan to improve follow-up treatment for HIV-AIDs patients and access to sexual and reproductive health services?